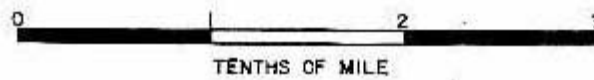


MIDAS # 3482
OVERSET POND

GREENWOOD TWP, OXFORD CO, MAINE

AREA 18 ACRES



OVERSET POND

Greenwood Twp., Oxford
U.S.G.S. Greenwood, ME (7.5')

Fishes

Brook trout

Physical Characteristics

Area - 21 acres

Temperatures:

Maximum depth - 42 feet

Surface - 77°F

36 feet - 45°F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Overset Pond is a beautiful, remote pond located just below the peak of Overset Mountain. This water stratifies during the summer and an oxygen deficiency develops below 18 feet in depth. However, a band of cold, oxygenated water exists, which is suitable for trout management.

Prior to 1998, the MDIFW was stocking both brook trout and brown trout on an annual basis. This pond had large populations of minnows and suckers, which were competing with the brook trout and resulting in poor growth and survival. Brown trout were able to do better under the heavy competition and the pond yielded fish up to four ponds. The pond was chemically reclaimed in the fall of 1998 to remove the competing species and manage the pond for brook trout. In addition, the pond was closed to the use of live bait and closed to bait dealers to reduce the chances of re-introduction. The pond was restocked in 1999 and annual stockings will be required due to a lack of spawning and nursery habitat. Initial sampling has shown a marked improvement in brook trout growth and survival.

The gated access road to Overset Pond is owned by Penley Lumber located in West Paris. Anglers can walk into the pond from the gate (approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mi) or a daily loaner key may be available from Penley upon request.

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